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1. A method for countering international terrorism requiring Non-Immigrant Visa Holders (users) to report during their respective visits at one or more times and monitoring such reporting using the internet and an electronic system and database, comprising the steps of:

storing information from users' authorized visa documentation in the data base including information related to the timing of required reports by the users; receiving over the internet reports from users made from remote terminals by users;

and

determining from said stored timing information and received reports, the identity of individuals who have failed to make timely reports.

2. The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of transmitting notification to a responsible governmental body of the identities of individuals who have failed to make timely reports.

3. The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of transmitting notification to at least one of a user's sponsor, employer, or school that that individual has failed to make a timely report.

4. The method of claim 1, wherein the receiving of the internet reports comprises the steps of reporting users

logging onto a website associated with the electronic system and database; and transmitting over the internet to the electronic system and database information requested by the website.

5. The method of claim 4, wherein the information requested by the website is requested in a language selected by the reporting user.

6. The method of claim 4, wherein the information requested by the website includes personal identifying information as listed on the user's authorized visa documentation.

5 7. The method of claim 4, further comprising the step of transmitting information to the reporting user selected on the basis of at least the nationality of the reporting user.

8. The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of notifying a non-reporting individual by e-mail of his failure to make a timely report.

9. The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of notifying a non-reporting individual by mail, electronic mail, and/or telephone, at his last known address or phone number of his failure to make a timely report.

10. The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of revoking the visas of individuals who fail to make timely reports.

11. The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of providing an electronic receipt to reporting users indicating the receipt of timely reports.

12. The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of providing hyperlinks to users making reports.

13. The method of claim 12, further comprising the step of selecting hyperlinks on the basis of stored information about the user making the report.

20 14. The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of transmitting over the internet to reporting users requests for information concerning criminal activities.

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15. The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of comparing each reporting user's current report with at least one previous report.

16. A method of monitoring visitors from abroad comprising the steps of:
entering personal identifying information for each visitor as listed on their respective
5 authorized visa documentation.

requiring each visitor to report at one or more times during his or her stay;
establishing a record in a central data base for each visitor including identifying
information and information related to the timing of a required report;

providing a website for the visitors to log onto from remote terminals;
receiving reports from visitors including personal identifying information input at a
remote terminal by each reporting visitor;

recording receipt of reports for visitors in their respective records;
determining from the records the identity of visitors who have failed to make timely
reports; and

transmitting notices identifying visitors who have failed to make timely reports.

17. The method of claim 16, wherein information identifying visitors who have failed to make timely reports is stored in a database accessible to local law enforcement bodies.

18. The method of claim 16, further comprising the step of requesting information from reporting visitors concerning criminal activities and forwarding any information input to
20 appropriate governmental authorities.

19. The method of claim 16, further comprising the step of requesting information from the visitor in a language selected by the visitor.

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20. Data processing system for monitoring users who are required to make reports from remote terminals to a web site associated with the data processing system comprising:

data storage means for storing data related to the timing of reports required by each of a plurality of users;

data server means for providing a reporting form to users who log onto the web site and for receiving reports from users; and

data processing means for identifying, from the stored data and received reports, users who have failed to make a timely report.

21. The system of claim 20, further comprising means for transmitting notification to a centralized governmental body of information identifying individuals who have failed to make a timely report.

22. The system of claim 21, further comprising means for transmitting a notice of visa cancellations to a centralized data base accessible to local police.

23. The system of claim 20, further comprising means for transmitting notification to at least one of a user's sponsor, employer, or school that the user has failed to make a timely report.

24. The system of claim 20, wherein the reporting form is provided in response to receipt at the data processing system of personal identifying information from users who log onto the web site.

25. The system of claim 20, wherein the reporting form is provided to the user in a language selected by the user.

26. The system of claim 20, wherein the server means provides selected hyperlinks to users making reports.

27. The system of claim 26, wherein the server means selects hyperlinks on the basis of stored information about the user making the report.

5 28. The system of claim 20, wherein the reporting form contains requests for information concerning criminal activities.

29. The system of claim 20, wherein the data processing means stores reports made by each user and compares each user's current report with a previous report of that user.

30. The system of claim 20, further comprising means for providing notification by e-mail of individual's failure to make a timely report.

31. The system of claim 30, wherein the notification is provided to at least one of the following individuals: the user's sponsor, the user's employer, or the user's school.

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